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Reference: Defenders of Wildlife Action Fund (C90007907) Quarterly Report (1/1/08 – 3/31/08)

Dear. Ms. Kelly:

Thank you for your letter dated June 10, 2008, requesting that Defenders of Wildlife Action Fund provide you with additional information regarding its Quarterly Independent Expenditure Report covering the period 1/1/08 – 3/31/08. Specifically, you questioned why we did not report any contributor information and asked us to amend the report to provide the missing information.

There is no missing information to report. Commission regulations require persons other than political committees to include on their independent expenditure reports "the identification of each person who made a contribution in excess of \$200 to the person filing such report, **which contribution was made for the purpose of furthering the reported independent expenditure.**" 11 CFR 109.10(c)(1)(vi) (emphasis added). Neither the statute nor the regulations require us to report all donations we receive in excess of \$200. Nor are we required to report, as your letter states, information on donors whose donations were used to fund independent expenditures. We are required to report contributor information only with respect to contributions we receive that are given for the purpose of funding the reportable independent expenditures. I can attest that Defenders of Wildlife Action Fund did not solicit any funds for the purpose of furthering the reported independent expenditures nor did we receive any such funds. As a result, we were not required to provide any itemized contributor information on the April Quarterly Report.

Please be assured that we are mindful of our reporting obligations under the Commission's regulations, and at such time that we do receive funds from an individual in excess of \$200 for the purpose of furthering a reportable independent expenditure, we will provide the required information on the applicable independent expenditure report.

I trust this letter addresses your concerns, but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further questions.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William Lutz", written over a horizontal line.

William Lutz
Senior Director
Defenders of Wildlife Action Fund

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